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1. PRESIDENT EXPECTED RETURN FEB. 26 AND HE IS SURE
TO ASK ME AT AIRPORT WHETHER USG DECISION ON MILITARY
ASSISTANCE HAS YET BEEN TAKEN.
2. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY FURTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE
SUBSEQUENT TO REFTEL ON STATE OF PLAY THIS MATTER. IS
OPTIONS PAPER READY FOR SECRETARY'S CONSIDERATION?
IS ANYTHING MORE KNOWN ABOUT PROBABLE TIMING OF DECISION?
3. AS YOU ARE AWARE, THIS ISSUE IS AT TOP OF BONGO'S
PRIORITY LIST IN TERMS OF RELATIONS WITH US, AND IT
MAY BE DIFFICULT TO GET ANY OTHER BUSINESS DONE UNTIL
WE HAVE DELIVERED REPLY ON MILITARY ASSISTANCE. THEREFORE
WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR HELP IN OBTAINING EARLIEST
POSSIBLE DECISION THAT I CAN COMMUNICATE TO PRESIDENT STEIGMAN

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